

# Measurement of Photon + Z to b-bbar at CDF

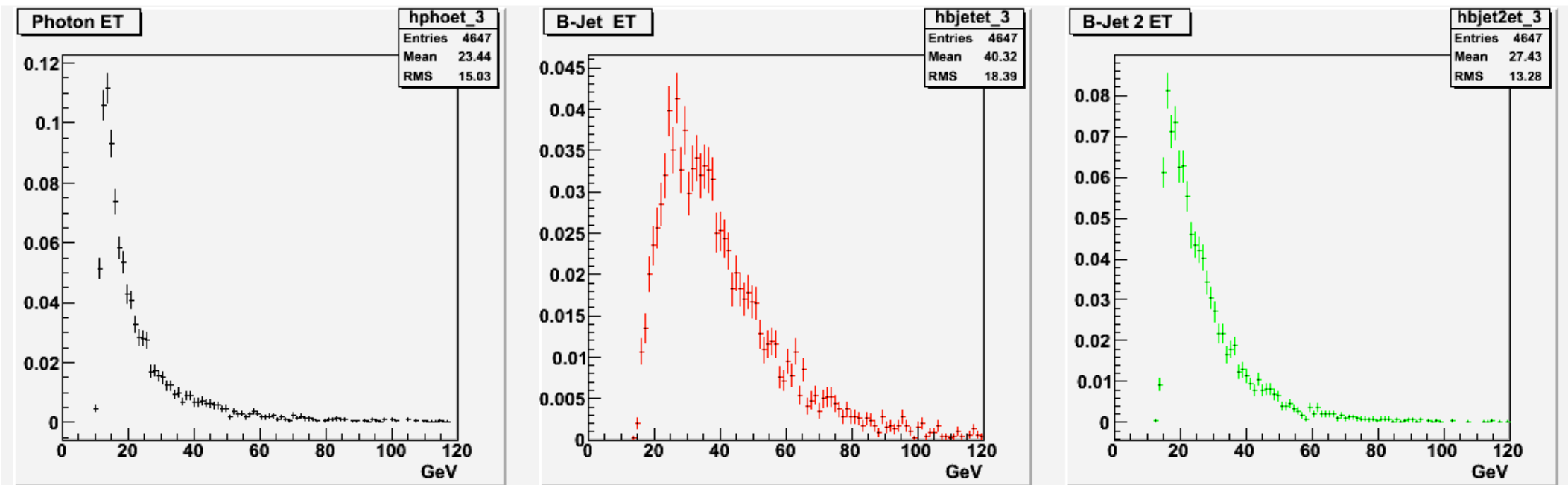
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# Overview

- Study of Z boson + photon production in CDF data
- Standard Model process observed previously in the channel  $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$
- Focused on determining the source of background events, studying the trigger efficiencies, and training a neural network
- Inclusive photon data

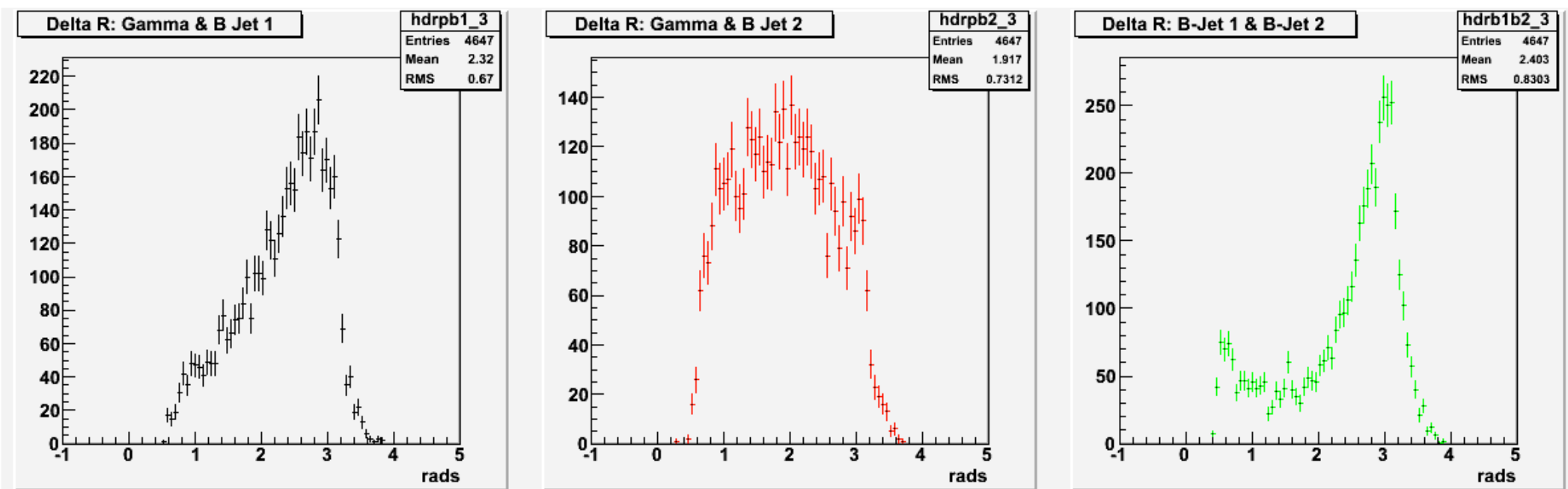
# Data Kinematics

- Transverse energy of gamma, leading b-jet, and secondary b-jet
- Analysis cut on phoet at ~20 GeV, bjetet at ~25 GeV, bjet2et at ~20 GeV



# Kinematic Cuts

- $\Delta R$  between gamma and each jet
- $\Delta R$  between both jets
- Analysis cut on  $\Delta R_{gb1} > 0.7$  and  $\Delta R_{gb2} > 0.7$

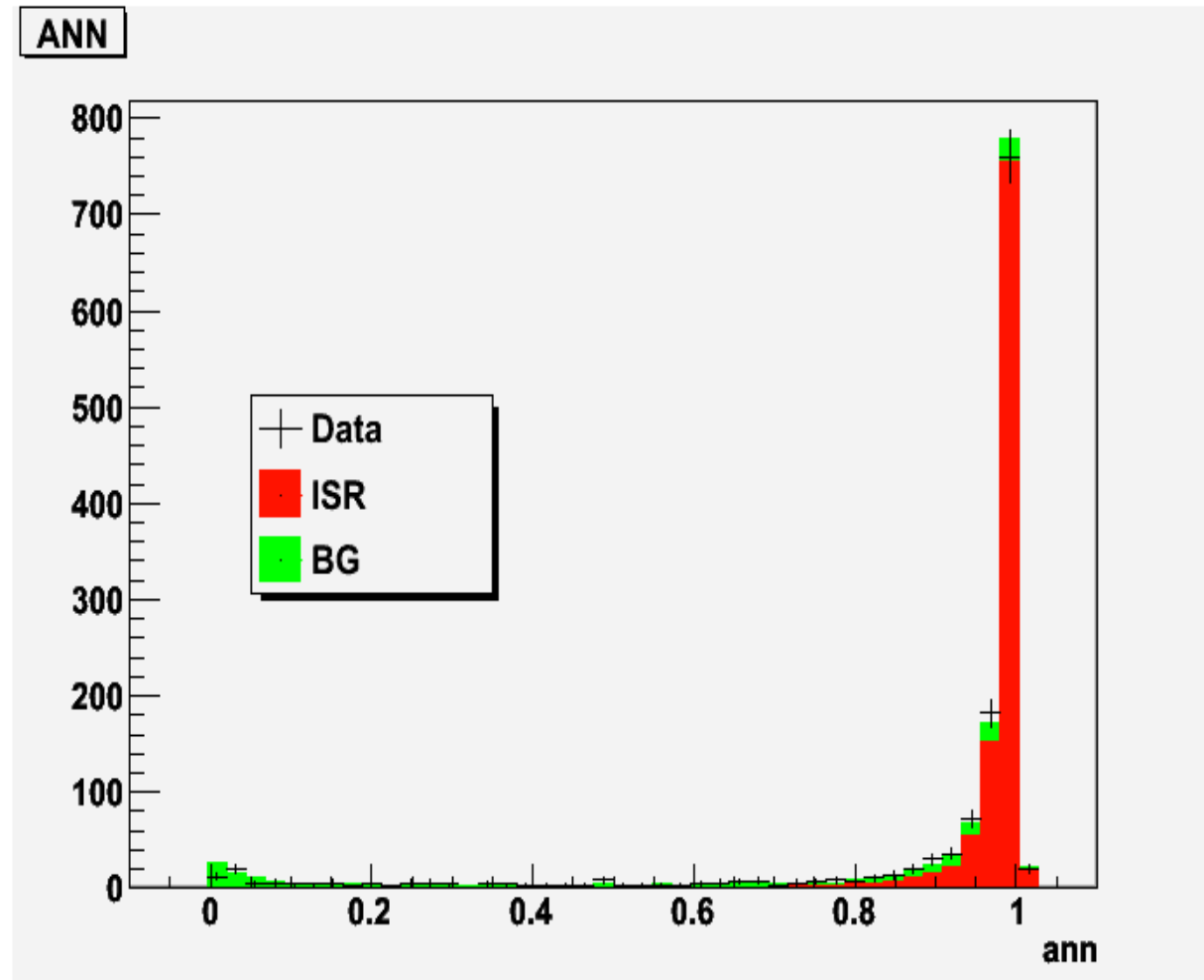


# Background Sources

- $\pi^0$  fakes a photon, other processes that emit  $\gamma$ 
  - $\pi^0 + b + b$
  - $\pi^0 + b + j$
- Jet is a non b-jet.
  - $\gamma + b + j$
  - $\gamma + j + j$
- $b\text{-}\bar{b}$  not a result of Z decay

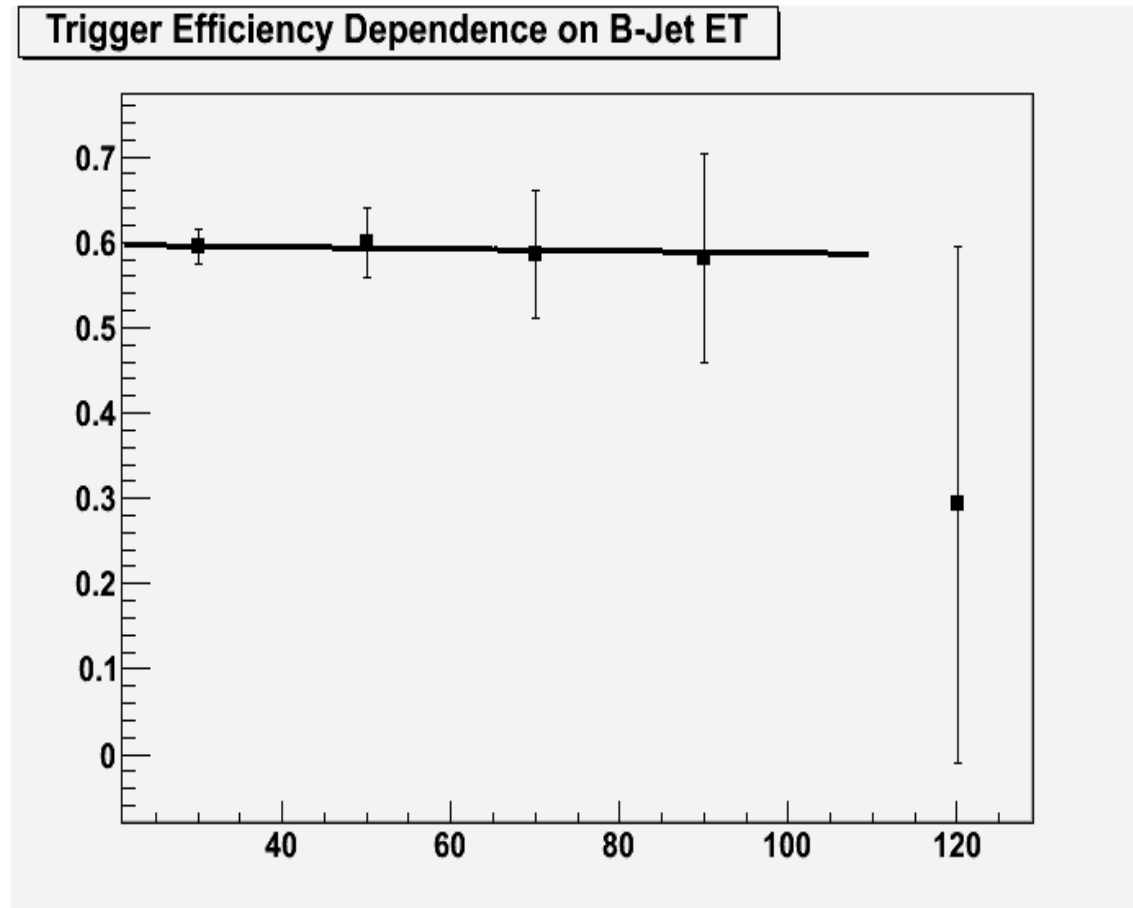
# Photon Background

- Plot photon ANN for signal and background MC.
- Fit data to templates.
- Determine signal fraction  $\sim 91\%$ .
- Majority of background not due to fake photons



# SVT Trigger Efficiency

- MC does not have an SVT trigger requirement.
- Determine trigger efficiency as a function of bjetet.
- Apply this function as a weight to MC events.
- MC models data more accurately.



# Signal Prediction

- Generated cross sections using MadGraph
- Number of predicted events  $P$
- Total number of events  $N$
- Number of signal MC events  $n$
- $P = \sigma \cdot \text{lum} \cdot n / N$

Cuts on Et (GeV)	ISR	FSR	BG	Data
$\gamma > 15$ $b_{\text{jet}} > 25$ $b_{\text{jet}2} > 20$	37.04	5.27	935.4	2270
$\gamma > 20$ $b_{\text{jet}} > 25$ $b_{\text{jet}2} > 20$	25.26	2.26	632.9	1411
$\gamma > 25$ $b_{\text{jet}} > 30$ $b_{\text{jet}2} > 25$	14.92	0.42	329.2	668
$\gamma > 25$ $b_{\text{jet}} > 40$ $b_{\text{jet}2} > 30$	10.33	0.12	205.0	424

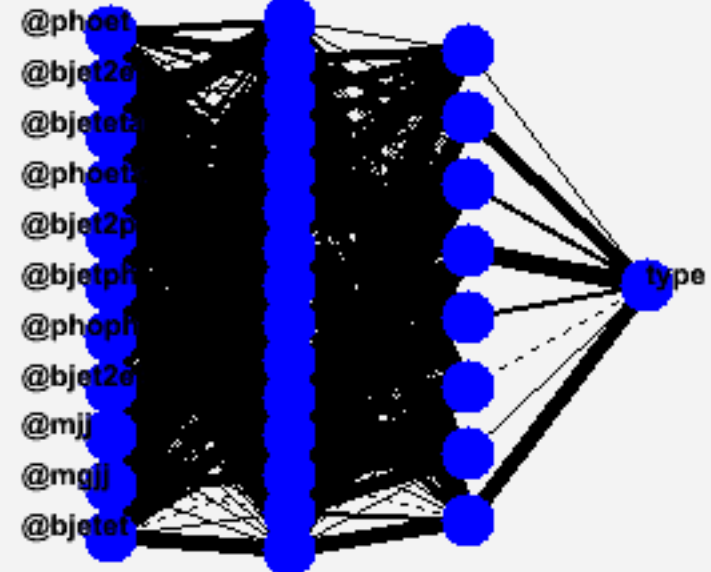
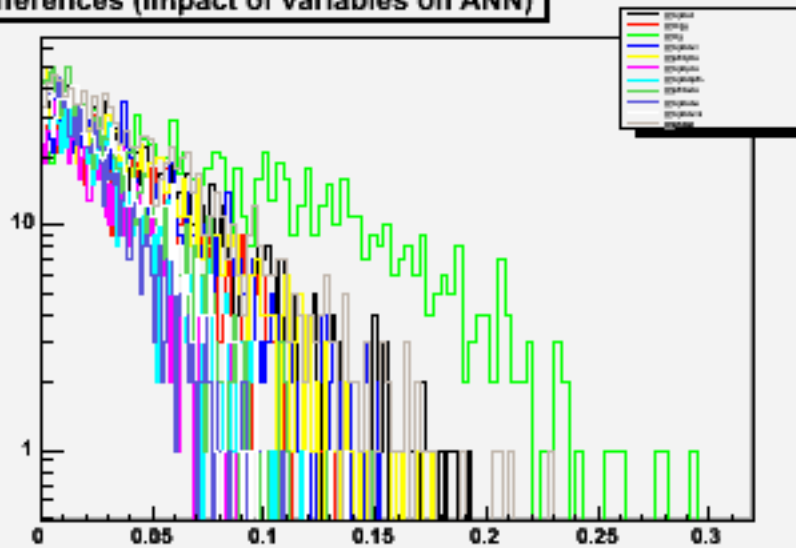


# More MC

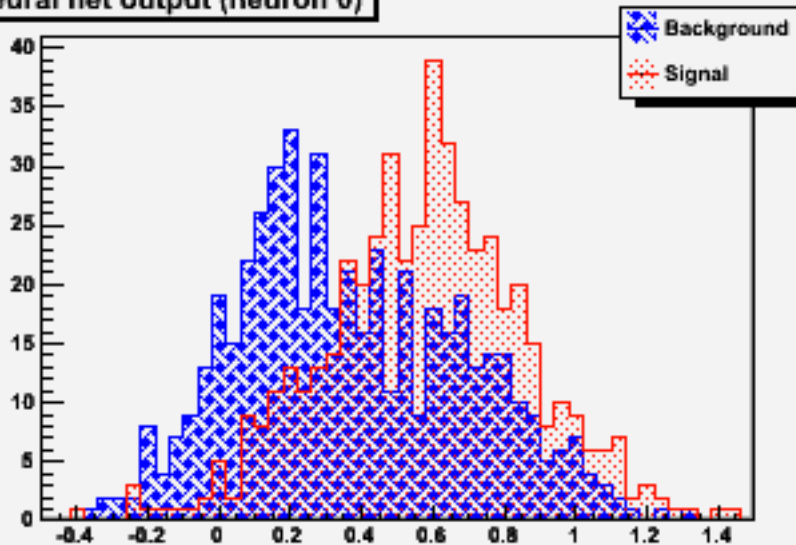
- Low statistics in background MC, large error
- Generated more background MC
- Include channel  $\gamma + b\text{-}b\text{bar} + \text{jet}$ .
- Retrain neural network.
- Recalculate cross sections and signal predictions.
- Refit data.

# Neural Network

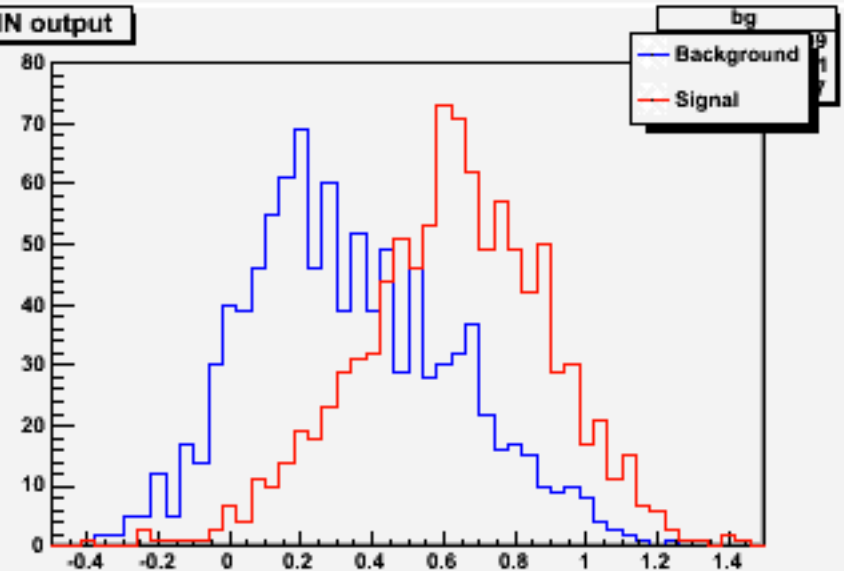
differences (impact of variables on ANN)



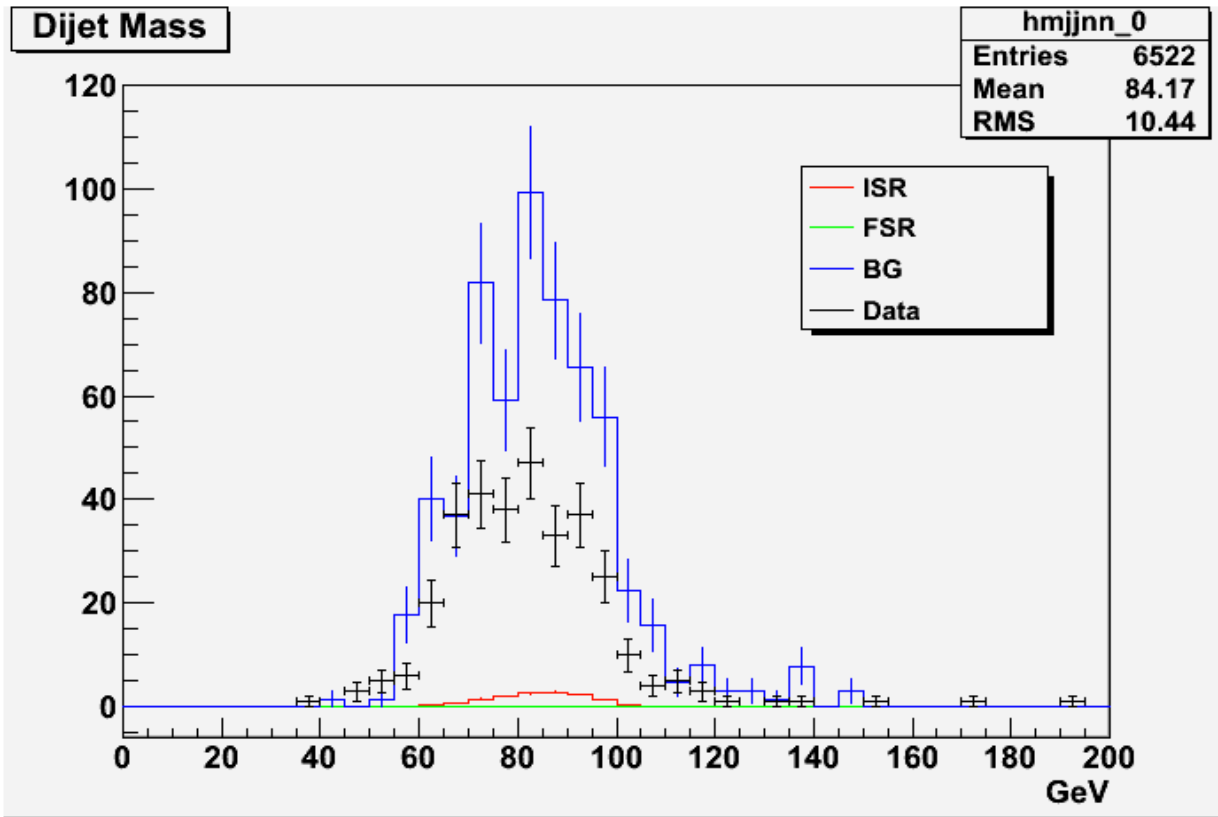
Neural net output (neuron 0)



NN output



# Signal Predictions



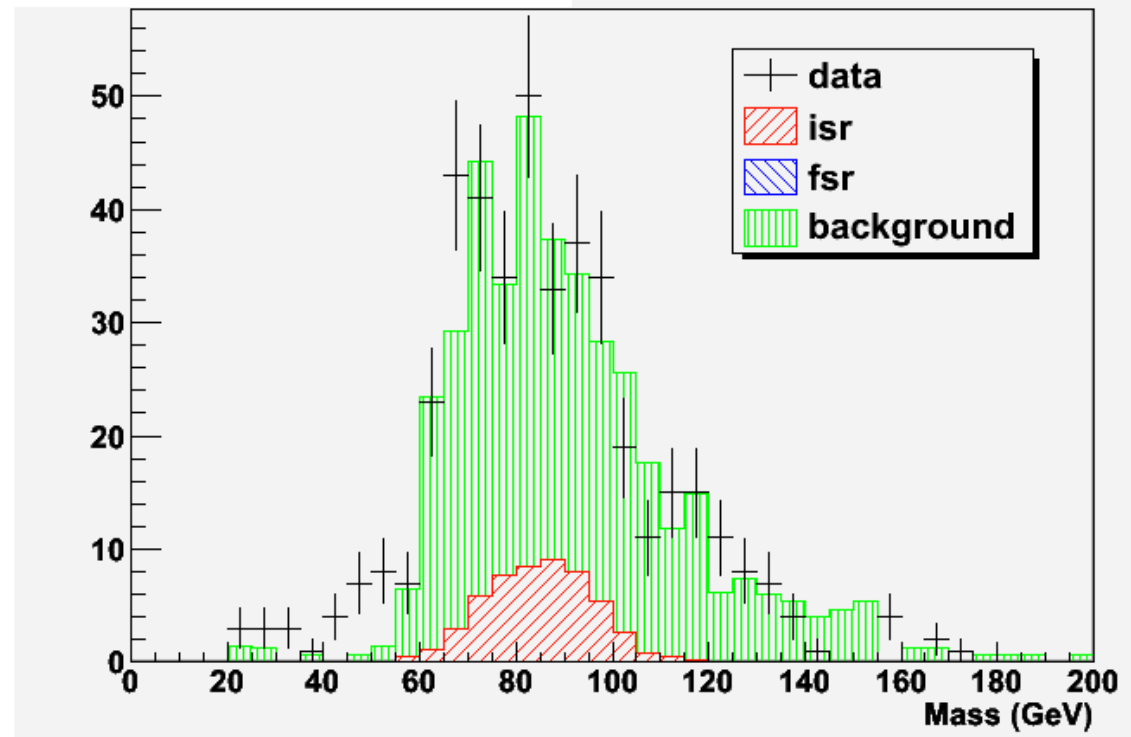
- Generally, our signal predictions fall within the range of the measurements' error.

Cuts	ISR	FSR	BG	Data
phoet > 15, bjetet > 25, bjet2et > 20	21.9	1.9	1000	574
phoet > 20, bjetet > 25, bjet2et > 20	15.2	0.7	607.9	321
phoet > 25, bjetet > 30, bjet2et > 25	9.27	0.14	340.5	178
phoet > 25, bjetet > 30, bjet2et > 20	10.5	0.22	380.4	211
phoet > 25, bjetet > 40, bjet2et > 30	6.67	0.06	228.4	117

# Results

- Final TMinuit fit with additional MC and all cuts (kinematic, trigger, nn)
- Signal:  $53.5288 \pm 39.6943$
- BG:  $351.553 \pm 43.4642$
- Data: 429

Di-jet Mass Fit to MC



# Conclusions

- Z decay is observed—substantiates SM process.
- However, error is large.
- Need more MC to improve the statistics.
- Broad distribution of signal events centered around 90 GeV
- Final state radiation events do not contribute to signal measurement.